This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

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1. (amended) A method for synchronizing a data transmitted over an isochronous network from a data source transfer with an audio/video stream system comprising:

determining latencies that exist in said isochronous network;

calculating a time period based upon said latencies in said isochronous network;

receiving an audio/video stream at a user system;

requesting said data from said data source over said isochronous network;

transmitting said data from said data source over said isochronous network to said user system in response to said request for data from said data source at a time that precedes receipt of said audio/video stream at said user system by an amount that is substantially equal to, but not less than, said time period, so that the amount of said data transmitted to said user system is minimized;

receiving a said data at said user system over said isochronous network transfer including a descriptor of when said data transfer may be combined with said audio/video stream;

obtaining time information from said audio/video stream; and

combining said data transfer and said audio/video stream at said user system when said time information is in substantial agreement with said descriptor.

2. (amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said step of receiving a said data transfer further comprises:

receiving said data transfer on a first isochronous channel or network and receiving said audio/video stream on a second channel or network.

3. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said step of obtaining time information further comprises:

checking the value of a time stamp in MPEG data.

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4. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said step of obtaining time information further comprises:

checking time information contained in a blanking interval.

5. (cancelled without prejudice)

6. (amended) The method of claim 1 ~~5~~ wherein said step of requesting ~~a~~ said data ~~transfer~~ further comprises:

checking if ~~a~~ said isochronous network ~~or channel~~ connection has been established; and

if ~~a~~ said isochronous network ~~or channel~~ connection has not been established, establishing ~~a~~ said isochronous network ~~or channel~~ connection.

7. (cancelled with prejudice)

8. (amended) The method of claim ~~5~~ 1 wherein said step of receiving ~~a~~ said data ~~transfer~~ further comprises:

processing said data from said data ~~transfer~~ source.

9. (amended) The method of claim ~~5~~ 1 wherein said step of requesting said data further comprises:

providing information identifying a user.

10. (withdrawn) A method for modifying an audio/video stream employing user information comprising:

receiving an audio/video stream identifier identifying an audio/video stream that may be modified;

monitoring said audio/video stream for information corresponding with said identifier;

requesting a data transfer wherein said request includes supplying user identification information;

receiving a data transfer containing a time descriptor;

combining said data transfer and said audio/video stream when time information contained within said audio/video stream is in substantial agreement with said time descriptor.

11. (withdrawn) The method of claim 10 wherein said step of requesting further comprises:

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providing said audio/video stream identifier.

12. (withdrawn) The method of claim 10 wherein said step of receiving an identifier further comprises:

receiving said identifier in an audio/video stream.

13. (withdrawn) A method for modifying an audio/video stream employing user information comprising:

issuing information to a client system identifying an audio/video stream;

receiving a request for a data transfer from a client system including a user identifier and an audio/video stream identifier;

selecting a data transfer using said user identifier and said audio stream identifier; and

transmitting said data transfer to said client system.

14. (withdrawn) A system for combining a data transfer with an audio/video stream comprising:

a video server;

a data server;

a client system operable to receive said audio/video stream from said video server and said data transfer from said data server;

a network management component operable to provide isochronous data transfer from said data server to said client system; and

a processing component in said client system operable to monitor said audio/video stream for time information and to combine said data transfer with said audio/video stream.

15. (withdrawn) The system of claim 14 wherein said client system is a set top box, satellite receiver or personal computer.

16. (withdrawn) A method for modifying an audio/video stream comprising:

receiving an audio/video stream containing timing information on a first channel of a network;

receiving a data transfer on a second channel of a network; and

combining said data transfer with said audio/video stream using said timing information.

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17. (withdrawn) A system for combining an audio/video stream with a data transfer comprising:

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a processor;

a memory;

a communications component for receiving data across a network;

a media component for receiving an audio/video stream across a network;

a mixing component operable to combine part of said data transfer with part of said audio/video stream; and

a software program operable to check time information in said audio/video stream and to affect combination of said data transfer with said audio/video stream when said time information corresponds to a predetermined value.

18. (withdrawn) The system of claim 17 wherein said processor and said memory are elements of a set top box.

19. (withdrawn) The system of claim 17 wherein said processor and said memory are elements of a personal computer.

20. (withdrawn) The system of claim 17 wherein said communications component provides isochronous transfer of data.

21. (withdrawn) A method for producing user specific audio/video content comprising:

broadcasting an audio/video stream; and

transmitting a data transfer to a specific address wherein said data transfer contains information that may be combined with said audio/video stream and said data transfer also contains a variable indicating a time in said audio/video stream at which said information may be combined with said audio/video stream.

22. (withdrawn) The method of claim 20 wherein said step of transmitting further comprises:

establishing an isochronous data connection between a client system and a server.

23. (withdrawn) A method for modifying audio associated with an audio/video stream comprising:

receiving a broadcast audio video stream;

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receiving alternate audio information; and

replacing audio information in said audio/video stream with said alternate audio information.

24. (withdrawn) The method of claim 23 wherein said step of replacing further comprises:

identifying first audio packets in an MPEG audio/video stream;

removing said first audio packets; and

inserting second audio packets containing said alternate audio in said MPEG audio/video stream.

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